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 - a. [] a full or partial English language translation submitted herewith,
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 - c. [X] the concise explanation contained in the specification of the present application at page 4,
 - d. [] the concise explanation set forth in the attached English language abstract,
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5. [X] A foreign patent office search report citing one or more of the references is enclosed.

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